

REMARKS:

Claims 1-15 are pending in the application. The Official action required applicant to elect a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits. The Official action stated that currently no claims are generic.

Firstly, the Official action required applicant to elect one of the following species of invention:

Species I	Figures 1-6;
Species II	Figures 9 and 10;
Species III	Figures 11-13;
Species IV	Figure 14;
Species V	Figures 15 and 16;
Species VI	Figures 17 and 18;
Species VII	Figures 19-23; and
Species VIII	Figures 24 and 25.

In the event applicant elected species VIII (figures 24 and 25), the Official action required the applicant to further choose a single band embodiment from:


Subspecies I	Figure 26;
Subspecies II	Figure 27;
Subspecies III	Figures 33A and 33B;
Subspecies IV	Figure 34A and 34B;
Subspecies V	Figures 35A and 35B; and
Subspecies VI	Figures 36A and 36B.

Applicant hereby elects species VIII (figures 24 and 25) and subspecies III (figures 35A and 35B) for an examination on the merits without traverse. All the claims (1-15) read on species VIII and claims 1, 2, 4 and 5 read on subspecies III.

A formal allowance of claims 1, 2, 4 and 5 and rejoinder of these claims with claims 3 and 6-15 are respectfully requested. While it is believed that all the claims in this application are in condition for allowance, should the examiner have any comments or questions, it is respectfully requested that the undersigned be telephoned at the below listed number to resolve any outstanding issues.

In the event this paper is not timely filed, applicant hereby petitions for an appropriate extension of time. The fee therefor, as well as any other fees which become due, may be charged to our deposit account No. 50-1147.

Respectfully submitted,
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